

SUBJECT: COINS Committee Meeting

1. The COINS Committee met at DIA on 16 February 1968. Attending were:



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2. The Committee was informed that copies of a COINS File Information punched card format, field codes and instructions were mailed to all members for their review. This format may be used by all COINS participants to record descriptive information on Agency files in COINS to create a master file information data base. A master computer tape will be created by NSA with copies distributed to all Agencies for addition to on-line systems, or for publication of a file information document for user reference.

3. [redacted] reported on the status of the new DIA Communication Center. Due to a delay in receipt of equipment from NSA, completion of equipment installation and testing will be delayed from the original date of 15 March until 15 April 1968. Circuit installation to CIA, NPIC, STATE, and NIC will take place after the latter date (DIA to NSA circuit now operational).

4. CODIB has extracted parts of the COINS Semiannual Report of 30 Sept. 1967 to prepare a COINS status report for USIB. Included is a GANT chart which reflects the information in paragraph 2 above. This chart was reviewed by the committee for accuracy.

5. A COINS Semiannual Report is due after 31 March 1968. The chairman of CODIB, [redacted] has indicated a desire that the report be completed by 15 April. Copies of a proposed report format were distributed to the Committee for review. In Agency reports under the section on "Hardware", [redacted] requested consideration of including a "System Description" to consist of a narrative summary and a block diagram of major equipment components (see "DIA COINS Test Facilities and Implementation Guide", 1 March 1967, page 10, figure 2 for example). Submission of participating agency and panel reports NLT 15 March was requested.

6. As recommended in the Semiannual Report, CODIB has established a committee to study and make recommendations on COINS files.

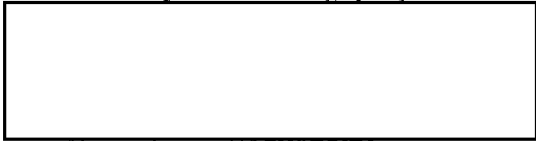
7. Copies of a CIA redraft of COINS Situation Paper No. 3 on Network Security were distributed.

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8. A proposed system for COINS management employing the Executive Agency and Agent method was submitted by NIPE to USIB for approval. Included was a recommendation that the National Security Agency be designated as the Executive Agency. This plan was originally scheduled for USIB consideration at the meeting of 15 February, however was taken off the agenda to permit further consideration by the COINS participating agencies.

9. The next Committee meeting was scheduled for 1000 hours, Friday, 1 March at NSA. Topics for discussion will be:

- a. COINS file information data base format;
- b. Network Security
- c. COINS Situation Papers No. 1, 2 and 3;
- d. Format of semiannual report.


Executive Secretary
COINS Committee

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